

DEBBANE RAYMOND
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
DEBBANE RAYMOND

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Blue Buffalo Pet Products, Inc.
[BUFF]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O BLUE BUFFALO PET PRODUCTS, INC., 11 RIVER ROAD

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
04/24/2018

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

(Street)
WILTON, CT 06897

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D) Code V Amount (D) Price			
Common Stock	04/24/2018		D ⁽¹⁾	10,569 D	0	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

DEBBANE RAYMOND
C/O BLUE BUFFALO PET PRODUCTS, INC.
11 RIVER ROAD
WILTON, CT 06897

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Signatures

/s/ Karen M. McCarthy, as
Attorney-in-Fact

04/24/2018

__Signature of Reporting Person

Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

On April 24, 2018, General Mills, Inc., a Delaware corporation ("Buyer"), acquired the Issuer pursuant to that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger entered into by and among the Issuer, Buyer and Bravo Merger Corp., a Delaware corporation and wholly-owned subsidiary of Buyer ("Merger Sub"), dated as of February 22, 2018 (the "Merger Agreement"). In accordance with the Merger Agreement, Merger Sub merged with and into the Issuer, with the Issuer surviving such merger as a wholly-owned subsidiary of Buyer (the "Merger").

(2) At the effective time of the Merger, each outstanding share of the Issuer's common stock (other than certain excluded shares) automatically converted into the right to receive \$40.00 in cash, without interest and after giving effect to any required withholding taxes.

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